

Non-Administrative Data Sources

Dataset (Sources)	Years and Sample	N and N Veterans	Content	Comments
Medicare Current Beneficiary Survey (VIREC and CMS)	1991-2004, Medicare beneficiaries	~12,000/year, ~22% vets	health status, use and expenditures, insurance coverage, socioeconomic and demographic characteristics	Crosswalk to VA utilization data available from VIREC Linkable to Medicare plan benefits data
Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (AHRQ)	1996-2004, community-dwelling population	~28,000/year, ~8% vets	health status, services, payment, insurance, socioeconomic and demographic characteristics	Linkable to other data at AHRQ data center only
HCFE Medicaid State-Level Dataset (CMS and HCFE (www.hcfe.research.va.gov))	1997-2002, US states	N/A	counts of eligibles and beneficiaries by type of eligibility, age, sex, and race; beneficiaries and payments are further counted by type of service received	All data obtained from CMS and reformatted/consolidated
Kaiser Medicaid Benefits Database (Kaiser Family Foundation)	2003-2004, US states	N/A	benefits covered, limits, co-payments and reimbursement methodologies	Database not downloadable; only individual tables

